

## A DAY OF GREAT ENTHUSIASM

Every Little Thing Caused the Delegates at Chicago to Laugh and Cheer and "Holler"---Platform Read.

Chicago, June 22.—As if to make amends for the past week, the delegates to the National Republican convention today fairly revelled in enthusiasm. It was everywhere. It manifested itself at nearly everything. It paid little attention to the arrival of delegations or leaders however, as on the first day. That was too common place, it seemed. But it was caught in the whirlwind of jubilation when Senator Chauncey M. Depew was seen marching down the aisle arm in arm with T. C. Platt, the "easy boss." They walked along as jauntily and as chipper as lovers. How the echoes that had been sleeping in the great arched dome were aroused into sudden action.

And how cheerily they did greet the next vice presidential candidate, Senator Fairbanks of Indiana. When the tall form of the sphinx of the Wabash appeared within the enclosure set aside for the delegation, a cheer went up that sent the echoes scattering like shot from a flask and the great iron rafters fairly quivered.

The delegates arose en masse and howled their appreciation of the man and their satisfaction over the knowledge that they at last had him where they wanted him. The little form swung as a pendulum in bowing recognition and the face was wreathed in luscious smiles.

So it was, in a temperature deliciously refreshing, and in the presence of an audience that filled the galleries, that the delegates were in fine fettle and why there was enough applause and enthusiasm to warm the cockles of the heart of the most calloused "stalwart." "Uncle Joe" Cannon was the hero and idol of the day. From the moment the committee on permanent organization announced that he had been selected as chairman until he adjourned the convention until 10 o'clock tomorrow, Uncle Joe was kept busy avoiding the boquets of vociferation and trying to hold the convention in check.

The ovation given him was constant, sincere and at times fairly overwhelming.

Many an old politician who has been in the lime light for years without the rewards they feel they merited could at times be seen, as if in a study, over the popularity of the chairman. Pretty soon they would again be caught in the vortex of jubilation.

"Uncle Joe's" speech as chairman was marked with those sturdy utterances characteristic of the man and here and there he punctuated his address with his grim, easy humor which

has won him national renown. He could have had most anything in the gift of the convention had he but given the sign.

Strange things happen in politics. The little territory of Hawaii presented to be the fly in the ointment. The committee on rules had in their report given the six delegates from Hawaii but two votes. All other territories with their six delegates were given six votes. Senator Foraker jumped into the situation and before his opponents could draw cards he had turned the convention upside down. He voted strongly against the adoption of that part of the committee's report relating to Hawaii. Spirited speeches were made by other delegates for and against the six delegates from the little island of the Pacific.

Meanwhile the ten thousand spectators in the galleries cheer like mad. Illinois, New York and Pennsylvania joined hands against Foraker and by a majority vote of seven they won out. Senator Foraker had lost his fight but his action prevented any attempt to shorten the convention as had been the plan, for the spirited debate occupied several hours and threw the reading of the platform so late that very little other business was attempted.

No election contests were brought on the convention floor to be threshed out. The decision to seat the Spooner delegation in Wisconsin was greeted with applause.

Senator Lodge was warmly applauded as chairman of the committee on resolutions and unusual interest was given to the reading of the platform. The tariff and trust plank were applauded. The tariff plank, which declares for the "stand pat" policy with a definite assurance that if at any time the need demands, the schedules will be adjusted, not by the enemies of the protective system, but by its friends, seemed to meet general approval. The trust plank, which declares that trusts and unions are the product of economic development and that when within the laws they will not be interfered with, was warmly cheered.

One of the most remarkable incidents of the day developed when Chairman Cannon read a copy of a telegram sent from Washington over the Publisher's Press wire. It was from Secretary Hay to Consul Gummere at Tangier, declaring that the United States wanted Perdicaris, the abducted American, alive, or Ralsuli dead.

The convention fairly went wild with enthusiasm. It was a wonderful climax to a notable day.

## BUNCO GAME

Worked By Followers of the Carnival.

Four fellows, two white and two colored, who followed the carnival from Wheeling to Canton, tried a bunco game at the grounds last night that was broken up by Lieutenant Wielandt and Officer Dicks. The game was worked by one of the cons dropping a paper package near a crowd and always when some persons could see who had dropped it. One of the white fellows followed up and picked up the package and began making inquiries as to who had lost it. About that time the second colored fellow arrived and claimed that he had lost the package and offered to bet that he had. A dispute would arise and the persons who had seen the first colored man drop the paper would be appealed to and dragged into the argument. Then the betting proposition would be made, and one of the white fellows would be made stake holder. After getting the money he would skip out and lose himself in the crowd.

The game was worked several times and ten dollars were bet the time the officers discovered it. Dicks arrested Charles Alexander, one of the colored men, and he secured the return of the money. He was brought to headquarters. The other three got away.

## Strike Closes Mine.

Calumet, Mich., June 22.—The Atlantic Copper mine was closed down today owing to a strike of trammers who demand another boss. The management voluntarily raised wages a few months ago but will now fight the strike to a finish. The stamp mill was also closed, throwing six hundred men out of work.

## Collector Reappointed.

Sandusky, June 22.—Charles Caldwell, former deputy collector, who was dismissed by Collector Zurbat, has been reappointed.

## JAPANESE

Blamed for Wreck of British Steamer.

Cape Town, June 23.—The British steamer La Porte, of 1,592 tons, which sailed from Cardiff on April 29 with a cargo of Welch coal consigned to the Russian authorities at Port Arthur has foundered off this port as a result of the explosion of a supposed internal machine in the hold. The entire bottom of the vessel was torn out but all of her crew was saved.

Captain Turner stated that it had been his intention to run the blockade and expressed the belief that the wreck of his vessel was brought about by Japanese secret agents.

## Judge Kerr Released.

Sheriff A. J. Johnson returned from Steubenville last evening, whither he had gone to arrest Judge Frank Kerr of Jefferson county and bring him in the probate court in this county on a charge of contempt. Judge Kerr secured a writ of habeas corpus in the court of Judge Richards in Steubenville, and Sheriff Johnson was compelled to surrender his prisoner to the custody of the sheriff of Jefferson county. There will be a hearing before Judge Richards Monday on the question whether a probate judge even though in contempt of court may be arrested and taken from his office. Judge Kerr maintaining that his position gives him immunity from arrest.—Salem News.

## Russia Laying in Much Coal.

Sebastopol, June 23.—(London Times).—Cargoes of the best steam coal continues to arrive here daily for the use of the navy and fully fifty thousand tons are already in storage. It is the intention eventually to ship all this coal to the far east for use by the Baltic fleet when it goes to the front.

## DECISION

Made in Noted Murder Case.

Helena, Mont., June 22.—The supreme court today dismissed the proceedings instituted by Attorney General Donovan to annul the action of District Judge Clements of Helena, in admitting James Keerl to bail. The case is a noted one, because of the social and business prominence of Keerl.

About two years ago Keerl, it is alleged, killed Thomas Crystal, a bartender. He was tried and convicted of second degree murder and given a life sentence. Later the supreme court granted him a new trial. Keerl's attorneys then applied for bail, arguing that their client, having been tried for first degree and convicted of second degree murder, was thereby declared not guilty of the greater crime and was amenable to bail. Judge Clements accepted this view and released Keerl under \$30,000 bonds whereupon the state applied to the supreme court for a supervisory writ.

## PITTSBURG MEAT MEN RESIST THE CHICAGO BEEF TRUST

"Lower Your Prices or Keep Your Meat."

## SHIPMENTS REFUSED

Pittsburg, June 22.—The retail meat dealers of Pittsburg, have organized to resist "the greed of the Chicago beef trust." They today and yesterday refused to accept the consignments from Chicago and their ultimatum to the combine is: "Lower prices or keep your meat."

George Derbaum, of the firm of Derbaum and Mengel, states the sentiments of the retailers as follows: "We are ashamed to ask the public to pay 20 and 30 cents a pound for beef steak. They won't pay it if we do. They know as we know that cattle prices are lower than for some time past, the cost of labor is no more than it has been for a year, freight rates if changed at all are lower, yet the Chicago Beef combine seem to have an X-ray on the public pocketbook and the price for a steak they wish to make equal to the contents of the purse. The people won't pay the price, we can't sell the meat and if we can't, we are out of business. That's the situation in a nutshell and it's up to the 'big four.'"

Spanish War Veteran Sent to Pen. Norfolk, Va., June 22.—Marshall B. Fales, of Cleveland, a Spanish war veteran and an inmate of the soldiers' home at Hampton was today sent to the penitentiary at Atlanta for two years for falsifying pension papers.

## Prominent Merchant Dead.

Lorain, June 22.—Frederic Hurst, aged 85 years, a prominent merchant of this place died today.

## DAMAGING EVIDENCE IN SLOCUM INVESTIGATION

No New Life Preservers Since 1895—No Test This Year of Fire Fighting Appliances.

New York, June 22.—More evidence showing that the life belts on the steamers General Slocum were of an inferior character, that the members of the crew cared only for saving their own lives and abandoned their passengers without making any attempt to rescue them; that the fire fighting appliances on the boat had not been tested this year; that inflammable materials were stored in the oil room of the steamer, and that the crew stuck to its posts there would not have been any panic among the passengers, was brought out at the inquest conducted by Coroner Berry into the Slocum holocaust today.

One member of the crew, William W. Trembley, testified that he pulled down forty of the life preservers from the overhead racks on the boat and that many of them were full of holes from which the cork streamed out.

The Rev. Franz Schultz, of Erie, Pa., who was on board the Slocum when the fire took place, testified that he tried to fasten a life preserver about his waist and that the straps were so rotten from age they broke, rendering the life belt useless.

For the Knickerbocker Steamboat company, Attorney McManus admitted that no new life preservers had been purchased for the Slocum since 1895,

## JACOB FLORY

DEMANDS RETURN OF PROPERTY GIVEN WIFE

## AS A PEACE OFFERING

Canton Real Estate Worth \$7,000 Involved.

Jacob Flory has gone into court to try to recover property which he deeded to his wife some time ago as a peace offering. The property consists of several pieces of property in Canton and nine acres of farm land. He states in a petition filed yesterday that because of domestic troubles and differences between himself and his wife, Leah Flory, they had lived in separate apartments for some time, and that in order to promote peace and happiness of the family he agreed to convey all his real estate to his wife, on the conditions that she assume the payment of two mortgages for \$1,000 and \$500 each and a note for \$1,000, and that he was to be taken into the home and be the head of the family. The property consisted of 5 lots in this city and the farm hand, upon which are three houses that are rented.

After this agreement the two again separated and the terms of the agreement were not carried out. The wife receives all the rents and the use of the property, and the husband asks that the court compel the defendant to reconvey the property to him. It is estimated to be worth about \$7,000. An injunction is asked to prevent the wife from collecting any more of the rent money until the case is heard upon its merits. Attorney W. O. Wertz is counsel for the plaintiff.

## PRESIDENT ORDERS

A Naval Demonstration Against Turkey.

Washington, D. C., June 22.—President Roosevelt today decided that a naval demonstration shall be made against Turkey. Alexandretta, from which port the American squadron was recalled last year will be the objective point. Admiral Barker's fleet, consisting of the battleships Iowa, Kearsarge, Alabama and Maine sailed today from Gibraltar for the Straits. The battleships Missouri and Illinois and the gunboat Mayflower will join them there. When Admiral Jewell and the European squadron, now at Tangier, arrives, the demonstration against Turkey will be made.

It is probable that the European squadron will go first to Alexandretta, this being decided upon in deference to Russia's protest. If the sultan does not yield the battleships will follow. It is understood there is no present intention of bombardment.

## Ransom on Its Way.

Tangier, June 22.—The ransom demanded by the bandit, Ralsuli, for the release of Messrs. Perdicaris and Varley will be sent from Tangier for the brigands' headquarters tomorrow. It is expected now that the two captives will reach Tangier on Friday.

## CORTELYOU

On Hand to Discuss Things.

Chicago, June 22.—George B. Cortelyou, secretary of commerce and Labor, arrived here this evening. To a Publisher's Press representative he smilingly said he had been sent for to discuss certain matters of public interest.

The new National committee will organize tomorrow at 4 o'clock immediately after the adjournment of the National convention. Mr. Cortelyou is slated for national chairman. There is a strong objection to him on the part of the majority of the committee but whether he will accept or decline the office, he preferred not to say. Many prominent Republicans called upon him early this evening at the Chicago club, where he is stopping. Later he mingled with the politicians in the lobby of the Auditorium annex and was warmly greeted.

It is believed that he will confer with the members of the new National committee tonight.

## WET OR DRY IS THE ISSUE IN THE FIRST WARD

Neither Side Making Any Strong Move.

## NO SALOONS AFFECTED

The local option election will be held in the First ward today. The booths in the various voting places will be open for the reception of votes, just as at any other election. There seems to be but little interest in the matter, and the temperance element seems to fear that this lack of interest will result in the loss of many votes.

The "wets" do not seem to be paying any attention to the contest, yet no one knows what is being done by either side on the quiet. As no saloons are endangered, the men conducting the drink emporiums along the borders of the territory would rather see the election go wet, it is claimed, as it will keep out all opposition in the new territory. The temperance people claim that all they can expect is to preserve inviolate territory that is not now infested with saloons.

## RUSSIAN LOSS

Is 5,000 Men and Over 150 Officers.

London, June 23.—According to advices from St. Petersburg this morning a two days' battle has been fought at Hai-Cheng. The Russians are reported to have lost 5,000 men and more than 150 officers in killed and wounded.

## LIVE WIRE

Instantly Kills a Pennsylvania Railroad Electrician.

Altoona, Pa., June 22.—Lewis Smith, aged 22 years, a Pennsylvania railroad company electrician, was electrocuted this afternoon at the Altoona car shops and power plant of the road. He was putting in some lightning arresters when he came in contact with a live wire and two thousand, one hundred volts passed through his body, killing him instantly. Smith lived in Allegheny and had been employed by the company for two years.

## Will Enlarge Furnace.

La Follette, Tenn., June 22.—The La Follette Coal and Iron company has decided to spend one million dollars in enlarging and improving its furnace here. The work will begin in the early autumn.

## Sudden Death.

Marion, June 22.—Rev. D. H. Wonder, prominent evangelist, dropped dead in his orchard today.

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## MANCHURIA

THE SCENE OF DESPERATE FIGHTING

## A DEATH STRUGGLE ON

For Supremacy of Russian or Jap.

London, June 23.—Conflicting accounts of the fighting in Manchuria are arriving here and it is plain that both the Russians and Japanese are engaged in a death struggle for the positions between Feng Huang Chong and Mukden with the chances slightly in favor of ultimate Russian success owing to the large number of men that General Kuropatkin has under his command and the strength of the Liao Yang defenses.

The censorship, however, is so strict that what few dispatches are permitted to get through are so badly mutilated that it is impossible to determine just what the correspondent who wrote them meant when he sent his accounts of the fighting.

According to the Chronicle's far eastern advices, a collision which took on all of the proportions of a pitched battle has taken place between General Baron Kuroki's main army and a portion of the Russian army. The Russians are said to have encountered the Japanese while both sides were trying to take possession of the heights of Hsuehlihtien. The fight was unexpected and exactly what both commanders were trying to avoid. However, the Japanese were at a disadvantage although they fought bravely, and were eventually compelled to retreat. Both sides lost heavily.

According to the New Chwang correspondent of the Daily Mail, during the fighting at Hsuehlihtien last Saturday the Russian casualties exceeded 2,000. Among the dead are said to be five officers of high rank and it is rumored that one of these was a major general commanding a division.

## CONTEST

For Control of Seaboard Air Line.

Baltimore, Md., June 22.—Large Baltimore interests in the Seaboard Air Line will oppose the scheme of the New York syndicate for new financing. The biggest concentrated ownership is that held by John L. Williams & Sons of Richmond, and J. William Middendorf & Company of Baltimore, who with their immediate connections own over 150,000 shares.

If the Blair-Ryan-Coolidge crowd of New York precipitate a contest for control the belief is that the large holders will support the Williams-Middendorf interests. Mr. Williams has been supposedly embarrassed because of the troubles of his firm and of the Middendorf company. New Yorkers have been trading on this theory, and Baltimore having seen prices of Seaboard dwindle are not slow in charging the New York interests with wanting to obtain control at their own terms. One source of strength of the Williams-Middendorf interests is that they have an extension of credit for one year, so that they are not forced to sacrifice their holds in Seaboard.

## TEXAS

Instructs Its Delegates for Parker.

San Antonio, Tex., June 22.—The state Democratic convention adjourned sine die this afternoon. It was the most harmonious gathering of the kind ever assembled in Texas. Resolutions instructing for Parker were adopted with great enthusiasm, the motion not to instruct being riddled at short range.

Eight delegates were selected instead of four, all being avowed Parker men.

## Skrydloff Reports.

St. Petersburg, June 22.—Admiral Skrydloff reports that the torpedo boat detachment has returned to Vladivostok from a cruise in the Japanese waters. The detachment approached Iseabchi but a heavy fog prevented them from entering. They captured several schooners laden with fish and rice and brought one to Vladivostok.

## Large Loss by Fire.

Jackson, Miss., June 21.—The loss by the fire which destroyed a portion of the business section of McComb City early today is now estimated at \$270,000 with an insurance of \$109,000.